Dear new METU students,

Welcome to the Middle East Technical University. I would like to congratulate you for becoming a member of the great METU Family consisting of students, staff and over 120,000 alumni all over the world.

Your affiliation with METU will surely be a source of pride and confidence in each and every phase of your life. This will also provide you with the strength and determination to overcome the toughest challenges in the future. Yet, attaining this privilege, as you might imagine, requires a great deal of hard work and self-sacrifice. We believe that we can accomplish this by working together.

As the staff of the METU Northern Cyprus Campus, we are dedicated to provide you with the METU’s education and training experience of nearly sixty years in a very convenient university campus setting. To this end, METU Northern Cyprus Campus will welcome you with its state-of-the-art infrastructure, and degree programs and faculty members meeting the standards of the Ankara Campus. In return, you are expected to make the best of all those facilities and opportunities with a sense of responsibility towards yourself and your families.
Dear students,

You are at a crucial turning-point in your lives. Most probably, until today you have lived with your families who have catered for most of your daily needs. You will now be shouldering your responsibilities on your own, and this will probably mark a passage into the ‘real life’. Here, you will begin to learn to live as self-sufficient individuals, which, we believe, is one of the assets of university education. Throughout your campus life, extracurricular activities will have a great impact on your social development. We suggest that you devote time, in a balanced combination, both to the academic work and social, cultural and sports activities, and integrate with the reach cultural environment around you. We, as the staff of METU Northern Cyprus Campus, will be right beside you in all difficulties you might face.

I look forward to seeing you as METU graduates after a joyful and fruitful student life here on our Campus.

What is the Orientation Program?

Welcome to the METU Northern Cyprus Campus Family! This orientation program has been prepared to familiarize you with the campus and its facilities, and support you during your adaptation process. The program will be carried out by Student Services Units and Orientation leaders, and offer you an opportunity:

- To take part in numerous social, cultural and sports events
- To get to know campus and Cyprus
- To meet staff members and new friends

We are looking forward to your involvement in all the activities!

Orientation Leadership Project

Orientation Leadership Project (OLP) has been carried out at METU NCC since 2008-2009 Academic Year to run the orientation program effectively. The project is coordinated by Student Development and Counseling Center (SDCC) and run by “orientation leaders”. Orientation Leaders are senior METU NCC students who volunteered to assist you during the orientation program and in your first year at METU NCC. These reliable senior-students will help to find answers to your questions about campus life. As soon as you are accepted to METU NCC, an orientation leader will be assigned to you and you will receive a welcome mail from your leader. Before your arrival you can direct your questions via e-mail to your orientation leader.

Orientation leaders will welcome you at airport and help you in dorm registration, registration to university and courses, and getting to know campus. When you arrive on campus please also get in touch with the Orientation Office*, situated in the shopping center on campus, via telephone or by directly going to the office to get into contact with your orientation leader (if you have not met him/her till then) and to be informed about all the details of the orientation program.
Orientation Leaders


Orientation Office Tel: (0392) 661 1927 / 1928

* The orientation office will be opened on September, 26th.

ORIENTATION PROGRAM

29th September 2015 Tuesday

12.15pm - 1.15pm  Reception, Venue: Culture and Convention Center Foyer
1.30pm - 2.00pm  Welcome Speech by Prof. Dr. Turgut Tümer (President of the Campus), Venue: Culture and Convention Center Amfi 2
2.15pm - 3.15pm  Information Meeting: Life in Campus 1 by Sinan Hussein Özkarsulu (Directorate of Institutional Relations and Communication) Venue: Culture and Convention Center Amfi 2
3.30pm - 4.15pm  Academic Orientation by Assist. Prof. Dr. Volkan Esat (Vice Head of the Academic Board of Engineering and Natural Sciences) and Dr. Özcan Kasal (Registrar), Venue: Culture and Convention Center Amfi 2
4.30pm - 6.30pm  Campus Tour with Orientation Leaders
7.00pm - 8.00pm  Dinner, Venue: METU Square - Food Stalls

30th September 2015 Wednesday

Important message for new students:
METU English Proficiency Exam
(Morning Session: 10:00; Afternoon Session: 14:00)

5.00pm - 6.00pm  Seminar "Being a METU'an" by Prof. Dr. Canan Özgen (Department of Chemical Engineering, METU), Venue: Culture and Convention Center Amfi 2
6.30pm - 7.30pm  Güzelyurt Shopping Day** (Bus Stop – in front of Dormitory 2)
7.30pm  Dinner, Venue: METU Square - Food Stalls

9.00pm  Dance Performance, Dance Society and Folklore Club, Venue: Culture and Convention Center Open Air Theater
9.30pm  Concert, Folklore Club, Venue: Culture and Convention Center Open Air Theater
10.00pm  Concert, "Doubtless" Music Club, Venue: Culture and Convention Center Open Air Theater
Let's get to know Cyprus by Dr. Hayriye Kahveci (Academic Staff of Political Science and International Relations Program)

Venue: Culture and Convention Center Amfi 2
Dinner,* Venue: METU Square - Food Stalls. METU NCC Students’ Clubs’ Information Desks and Radio METU NCS Broadcast
Concert, “Ganja” Music Club, Venue: Culture and Convention Center Open Air Theater
Concert, “Hi-Jack” Music Club, Venue: Culture and Convention Center Open Air Theater

1.00pm - 7.00pm
7.00pm - 9.00pm
9.00pm

Famagusta Tour ***
(Details of how to purchase a ticket are below)
Lala Mustafa Pasha Mosque, Othello Castle, Famagusta Ramparts, Namık Kemal Dungeon, Venetian Palace, Salamis Ruins, St. Barnabas Church

10.00am – 6.00pm
6.30pm – 9.00pm

Breakfast (Free), Rectorate Building, Ground Floor Meeting Room
Registration – Rectorate Building, Ground Floor Meeting Room
Sports Activities, Sports Club and Societies, Venue: Sports Center
Dinner,* Venue: METU Square - Food Stalls METU NCC Students’ Clubs’ Information Desks and Radio METU NCS Broadcast
‘A Grad Story’ International Student Office Venue: Culture and Convention Center Amfi 2
Film, Cinema Club,
Venue: Culture and Convention Center Open Air Theater

Classes Commence (School of Foreign Languages)
Note: Please bring two passport size photos of yourself to class
Online registrations for undergraduate programs on October 2-3.
Advisor approvals for undergraduate and graduate programs on 2, 5, 6 October

6.00pm - 7.00pm
7.00pm - 8.00pm
8.30pm
9.15pm
10.00pm

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Information Meeting: Life in Campus II
Venue: Culture and Convention Center Amfi 2

9.00am - 10.00am
9.00am - 4.30pm
4.00pm - 6.30pm
7.00pm - 8.00pm
8.15pm - 9.15pm
9.30pm

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10.00am – 7.00pm
* You can purchase a meal ticket on the 1st floor of the cafeteria if you prefer eating in the cafeteria.

**Please inform the Orientation Office by Tuesday 29th September 2015, 5.30 pm at the latest if you wish to attend the Güzelyurt Shopping Day.

***If you would like to go on the Kyrenia, Nicosia and Famagusta Tour, you should purchase a ticket from the Orientation Office by Friday 2nd October 2015, 12.00pm at the latest. It will be a guided tour and lunch will be provided. Buses will depart from Dormitory 2. Kyrenia Tour Price: 40TL, Nicosia Tour Price: 40TL and Famagusta Tour Price: 50TL. Participation is compulsory.

You are all kindly invited to the 2015 – 2016 Academic Year Opening Ceremony that will be held on 9 October 2015, in the CCC Rauf Raif Denktaş Hall.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

• Bath set (Hand towel, bath towel, bathroom footwear)
• Beach set (Beach towel, swimming suit, sunscreen, beach footwear)
• Alarm clock
• Table lamp
• Converters (On our campus, three-pin plugs and sockets are in use. You are advised to purchase English-Europe converters so as to be able to use the sockets. These are available at the shopping center on campus.)
• Charger (230 V, 50 Hz)
• Sewing box
• Laundry bag
• Extra duvet cover set (if you wish)
- Medicines used regularly
- Hair dryer
- TV tuner card (to watch TV on the computer)
- Personal ornaments to make yourself at home

**Items Provided By the University**

- Pillow, quilt
- Duvet cover set
- Telephone (for in-campus calls and incoming calls)
- Internet cable
- Tables, chairs
- Cupboard
- TV antenna plug lead
- Iron and ironing board (provided by the directorate of the dormitory on request)

**Student Societies and Clubs**

The Social and Cultural Affairs Office accommodates 47 organized student groups. In the 2014-2015 academic year, approximately 400 organizations including concerts, exhibitions, festivals, conferences, conventions, seminars, plays and excursions were held by the student associations. Furthermore, in the 2014-2015 Academic Year, many activities such as the 9th METU NCC Theater Festival, 7th International Food Festival, 9th METU NCC Horror Night, 5th Performing Arts Festival, International Nights and Alumni on Campus 3 were performed successfully by the student associations.

**Students Societies**

The Social and Cultural Affairs Office accommodates 47 organized student groups.

1. Atatürk's Thought Club
2. Aviation and Aerospace Society
3. Career and Business Club
4. Change and Social Awareness Society
5. Civil and Construction Society
6. Cinema Club
7. Community Volunteers Club
8. Computer Society
9. Culture, Literature and Thought Club
10. Critical Thinking Club
11. Cyprus Culture Club
12. Debate Club
13. Energy Society
14. English Speaking Club
15. Fantastic Fiction Society
16. Fine Arts Club
17. Folklore Club
18. Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (IEEE) Student Society
19. International Students Association
20. International Youth Club
21. METU NCC Kitchen Club
22. Mockup Club
23. Model United Nations Society
24. Music Club
25. Musical Club
26. Neuroscience Society
27. Photography Club
28. Political Thought Club
29. Process Society
30. Psychology Club
31. Radio Society
32. Science and Education Society
33. Socialist Thought Club
34. Society of Guidance and Psychological Counseling
35. Society of Computer Education and Instruction Technology
36. Society of Mediterranean Researches
37. Society of Modern Thought
38. Society of Personal Development
39. Society of Petroleum Engineers
40. Technical Assistance Society
41. Theater Club
42. Turkish Classical Music Society
43. Turkish - German Communication Club
44. Turkish Language and History Club
45. Turkish-Japanese Communication Club
46. Women in Business Club
47. Young Entrepreneurs Club
1. Culture and Convention Center: The Culture and Convention Center (CCC) provides a venue for social, cultural and academic activities serving the METU NCC community as well as the local community. Having an aesthetically and functionally perfect architecture and infrastructure, the CCC houses four state-of-the-art amphitheatres with 522, 210 and 109 seating capacities. Furthermore, with a total of 5791 m² of meeting space, CCC accommodates seven seminar rooms (four with 20 seats, three with 60 seats), one smart class, five simultaneous translation rooms, a small and a big hall, café, canteen and a lobby. You can follow the activities held, in the Culture and Convention Center at http://intranet.ncc.metu.edu.tr/calendar-2/

2. Art Studio: The art studio was established in the spring of 2007 to provide METU NCC students with the opportunity to express their creativity and skills and to contribute to their social development. The art studio allows participants to express themselves through art by using all kinds of visual materials in a workshop environment.

3. Photo Studio: Photography Club has designed their society room like a photo studio and has been offering various services for six years on campus. Many types of equipments are used by Photography Club in the photo studio. All members of association can use the studio under the supervision of an experienced member.

4. Music Studio: The music studio was established for the students who are members of the Music Club. There are many types of equipments in the studio. It is located on the ground floor of the CCC. You need to apply to Social and Cultural Affairs Office to use the studio.

5. Society Rooms: The society rooms are located on the upper floor of the shopping center.

How can I join a student association?

In order to attend associations’ activities superintended by the academic advisor and supervised via the decisions made by the executive board of member students, one should apply to the societies or Social and Cultural Affairs and fill out a membership form.
Radio ODTÜ Northern Cyprus Studios:
Radio ODTÜ Northern Cyprus Studios, the extension of Radio ODTÜ Ankara, broadcasts on 103.1 and over the internet at www.radyoodtukibris.net.

Sports Center:
The Sports Center is architecturally of a very high standard and is fitted out with the latest technological equipment. All kinds of sports can be carried out in this excellent facility.

Sports Hall:
Playing area for:
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Handball
- Tennis
- Badminton

Inside the Sports Hall you can find the following facilities:
- Squash
- Table Tennis
- Aerobic, Dance, Yoga, Pilates, Judo, Karate and Exercise Hall
- Conditioning Hall
  - Cardio Machines
  - Fitness Machines
  - Free Weights
  - Rowing Machines
- Running - Walking Track (160m.)
- Meeting Room
- Societies’ Rooms
- Sports Locker Rooms
- Referee Rooms
- First Aid Office

Outdoor Sport Fields:
- Basketball / Volleyball
- Tennis
- Mini Football Field
- Outdoor Swimming Pool (25m.x12m.)
- Climbing Wall (11 m.)
- Beach Volleyball
- Athletics Running Track (Tartan surface, 200 meters, four lanes)
- Outdoor Fitness Machines
- Mini Golf Course (18 hole)

Sports Teams:
Participate in and organize competitions together with other Cyprus Universities. Students who succeed in competitions and tournaments organized within the university are invited to join the sport teams by the coaches.
- Basketball
- Football
- Handball
- Table tennis
- Chess
- Tennis
- Volleyball
- Swimming
- Badminton
Recreational activities are organized within the sport societies, inside and outside the university; sports societies doing work under the supervision of instructors involve in the activities, tournaments; and furthermore these societies provide students with courses to acquire the branches they are interested in.

1. Dance Society
2. Cycling Society
3. Climbing Society
4. Karate Society
5. Subaqua Society
6. Kite Surfing Society
7. Archery Society
8. Search and Rescue Society
9. Scouting Society
10. Orienteering Society
Important Notice 1: Remember to activate your phone line to make international calls. It is suggested that you use one of the GSM operators of TRNC in order to communicate more economically with your country. These are available on our campus as well.

Important Notice 2: You can drive in TRNC with your driving license until you get your Student Residence Permit. As it is illegal to drive with your driving license when you get your residence permit, you should apply to TRNC Driving License Department to get your TRNC driving license.

Important Notice 3: For Opening a New Bank Account
- Passport
- Student Certificate (to be obtained from the Registrar’s Office)
- Proof of Residence (For those staying in the dorm; the proof of residence can be obtained from your dorm manager.)
- 24.50 TL for Stamp (subject to change)